



## EXTERNAL JUGULAR VEIN ACCESS

### AUTHORITY

Sections 1797.107, 1797.172 and 1797.176, Health and Safety Code.

Reference: Sections 1797.90, 1797.172, 1797.202, 1797.220, 1798, 1798.2, 1798.3 and 1798.105, Health and Safety Code

### FIELD ASSESSMENT/TREATMENT INDICATORS

1. Patient condition requires IV access and other peripheral venous access attempts are unsuccessful.
2. Patient 8 years of age and younger - **not indicated**.

### PROCEDURE

1. Inform patient of procedure if alert.
2. Utilize axial-spinal stabilization in trauma patients. If not in axial-spinal stabilization, extend and stabilize patient's neck. Maintain axial stabilization if the need to remove C-collar arises.
3. Place in trendelenburg position or apply slight pressure at base of vein for tourniquet effect.
4. Obtain external jugular vein access with appropriately sized IV catheter.
5. Securely tape catheter with occlusive dressing in place and continue to monitor for patency.
6. Recheck site frequently for signs and symptoms of infiltration.